GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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SURCHARGE ON STEEL AND CEMENT
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have waived the surcharge on carriage of steel and cement;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Railways to improve its revenue through carriage of goods?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a)& (b) Sir, The surcharges such as Busy Season Surcharge, Supplementary surcharge for Mini Rake and Two point rakes are not applicable in Lean Season which extends from July to September in the current year. Ministry of Railways has withdrawn 10 percent Supplementary surcharge on commodities having classification above Class 130 when transported in Mini- rakes and Two Point Rakes w.e.f 20.5.2007 till further advice.

(c) Sir, Ministry of Railways have launched various schemes like Incentive Scheme for Incremental Traffic, Long Term Special Incentive Scheme, Incentive Scheme for Traditional Empty Flow Direction, Incentive Scheme for freight Forwarders, Incentive Scheme for Two Leg Traffic, Incentive Scheme for Loading Bagged Consignments in BOXN, to improve its revenue through carriage of goods.